



# Louisiana Department of Public Safety

## Office of Motor Vehicles

### 8.01 Antique Vehicles

**Section:** 4. Motor Vehicle Registration Requirements

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#### Purpose

This policy describes requirements for [obtaining a title on antique, classic, or vintage vehicles when no current record of ownership exists](#) and [requirements for the antique motor vehicle tax exemption](#).

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#### Definitions:

- **Antique Motor Vehicle** – Motor vehicle that is at least thirty-five years old

#### General:

- Transactions on these vehicles may be processed by any [Motor Vehicle Customer Service Center or Public Tag Agency](#).

### Obtaining a Title on Antique, Classic, or Vintage Vehicles When No Current Record of Ownership Exists

#### Authority:

R.S. 32:707(L)

To view Louisiana Statutes: <https://legis.la.gov/legis/home.aspx>

#### General:

- State statute provides for the issuance of a certificate of title for an antique, classic, or vintage vehicle when there is no current record of ownership on which to base the issuance of a new title.

#### Requirements:

- A completed Vehicle Application form ([DPSMV 1799](#)).
- Affidavit of physical inspection. The physical inspection must be performed by a full-time Peace Officer Standards and Training (P.O.S.T.) certified law enforcement officer who has been certified by the Department of Public Safety and Corrections, Office of State Police, to inspect motor vehicles.
- Notarized bill of sale or invoice from owner
- Security Agreement, if applicable

- Statement from applicant attesting to his membership in an organized automobile club

**Note:** This procedure is only to be used when NO current record of ownership can be determined. If the current owner information is determined, the applicant must follow the normal titling procedure for vehicles.

**Fees:**

- [Title fee](#)
- [Handling fee](#)
- [License plate fee, if applicable](#)
- [Mortgage recordation fee, if applicable](#)
- [Sales/use tax](#)

## Antique Motor Vehicle Tax Exemption

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**Authority:**

R.S. 47:463.8

R.S. 47:337.9

R.S. 47:305.25

To view Louisiana Statutes: <https://legis.la.gov/legis/home.aspx>

**Eligibility:**

- No state or local sales tax will be due when:
  - The vehicle is at least thirty-five years old and not being used for commercial purposes
  - The antique vehicle is valued in excess of ten thousand dollars
  - An antique plate is issued at the time the sales tax exemption is applied
    - The license plate fee for issuance or transfer of an antique plate, when issued in combination with the antique vehicle sales tax exemption, shall be one thousand dollars (\$1,000)

**Requirements:**

- The antique motor vehicle tax exemption can only be applied to antique vehicle sales or transfers on July 1, 2025 or after.
- The following documents must be submitted:
  - All applicable documents listed in Section 4, Policy [2.00 Basic Requirements for Obtaining a Certificate of Title](#)
  - All documents listed in Section 5, Policy [1.00 License Plate Antique, Classic, or Vintage Motor Vehicles](#)
  - [Antique Motor Vehicle Sales Tax Exemption Certificate \(R-1399\)](#)

**Fees:**

- [Title Fee](#)
- \$1,000.00 one-time antique plate license fee. The antique plate fee will be assessed at a rate of \$1,000.00 only if plate is being issued at the time the antique vehicle tax exemption is applied **or** \$1,000.00 transfer fee if the antique plate registered to the vehicle is being transferred to the new owner at the time the antique vehicle tax exemption is applied.
- \$8.00 handling fee.

- \$3.50 administrative handling fee will be due, in addition to the antique license plate fee at initial issuance
- Office fee, if applicable

**Note:** Applicable taxes are due on transfers of antique vehicles valued at \$10,000.00 or less.